MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Are the Government aware that formerly there was a bridge at the Pulikizh crossing ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Has the place become less important now so that a bridge there is considered to be unnecessary ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The P. W. D. authorities are of opinion that the ferry there is quite sufficient to meet the requirements of the people.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) Is it on the ground that the crossing is less used by the public now that a bridge there is considered unnecessary ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : That is a matter of opinion.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : I wish to know whether the opinion that a bridge there is unnecessary is based on the impression that the place has become less important or that the crossing is less used by the public.

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : I have already stated on what ground the opinion is based. The P. W. D. reports that the ferry there serves the needs of the people.

Public works in the Kartikapalli and Mavelikara taluks.

29. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether instructions have been issued by them or the Chief Engineer that some of the public works for which provision is made in the Budget for 1107 need not be executed this year (1107) ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the names of the works in Mavelikara and Kartikapalli taluks with reference to which such instructions have been issued ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) Allotments for some of the public works for which provision has been made in the Budget for 1107 have been surrendered fully on account of financial stringency. Such works in the taluks of Mavelikara and Kartikapalli are :—

(i) The acquisition of the land for widening the eastern approach to the Thazhakara bridge on the first mile of the Mavelikara-Trikkunnapuzha road.

(ii) Easing the curves on the Quilon-Alleppey road, mile 23/4 to 24th mile.—

The Trikkariyur temple road.

30. MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

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(*a*) whether any petition was received for opening a road, about 1½ miles in length, from the Trikkariyur temple to the 8th mile of the High Range road, the petitioners undertaking to surrender the lands required for the road; and

(*b*) if so, how the petition was dealt with?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes. A petition was received by the Chief Engineer through the member on the 12th August 1931.

(*b*) It has been forwarded to the Division Officer for report.

Expenditure on Salaries of certain officers in 1106.

31. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the aggregate amount of salaries paid in 1106 to —

(i) officers whose pay is Rs. 200 and above per mensem;

(ii) officers whose pay ranges from Rs. 40 to Rs. 199; and

(iii) officers whose pay is Rs. 39 and below?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (i), (ii) and (iii). The information is not available, since expenditure on Salaries and Establishment is not classified and booked according to the pay of the officers.

For a classified statement of the Budget provision for 1107 under Salaries and Establishment, the member is referred to page 206 of Vol. XIX of the *Travancore Legislative Council Proceedings*.

Revenue and expenditure of the State in 1106.

32. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the actual revenue and the actual expenditure of the State in 1106?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*)

		Rs.
Actual Revenue (ordinary) in 1106	...	2,27,18,019
Actual Expenditure (ordinary) in 1106	...	2,39,41,106

Expenditure on salaries and pensions in 1106.

33. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state the actual amount spent in 1106 on—

(i) Salaries; and

(ii) Pensions?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*):

		Rs.
(i) Expenditure on Salaries and Establishment	...	89,09,786
(ii) Expenditure on Pensions (including Military and Political Pensions)	...	13,23,074

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